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FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 170738 SENT PHNOM PENH INFO BUCHAREST
SAIGON USUN NEW YORK GENEVA DATED AUGUST 6.

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SUBJECT: WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE - KHMER ISSUE

REF: PHNOM PENH 10224 (NOTAL)

1. DEPT HAS NO FIRM INDICATION THAT THERE WILL BE CHALLENGE
TO GKR SEAT AT WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE (WPC). HOWEVER,
IN RECENT TALK WITH USUN OFFICER, WPC-SYG CARILLO FLORES
SAID SOVIETS CONSIDERABLY LESS INTERESTED IN KHMER REPRESENTATION
ISSUE (THAN IN PRG QUESTION), VIEWING IT AS
"PROCEDURAL MATTER THAT CAN BE HANDLED BY WPC CREDENTIALS
COMMITTEE IN REASONABLY STRAIGHTFORWARD MANNER."

2. TO INFERENCE THAT USSR EXPECTS MATTER TO ARISE MUST
BE ADDED DILEMMA IN WHICH HOST GOVERNMENT, ROMANIA, FINDS
ITSELF, ROMANIANS ARE LONG-TIME SUPPORTERS OF PRINCE
SIHANOUK, WHOSE REGIME-IN-EXILE REPRESENTED IN BUCHAREST.
ON JULY 24 ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR TO UN APPROACHED CARILLO
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FLORES FOR DISCUSSION OF PROBLEM. CARILLO FLORES TOLD

DEPT OFFICERS ROMANIANS SEEKING "WAY OUT" OF DILEMMA AND
HOPE WPC WILL NOT BE DISRUPTED BY ANY CONTROVERSY OVER
SIHANOUK'S GRUNK.

3. WE CONCLUDE GOOD CHANCE EXISTS THAT KHMER ISSUE WILL BE
RAISED AT WPC, PERHAPS BY PRC AND/OR ROMANIA. AT MINIMUM,
ROMANIANS MAY ATTEMPT TO INVITE GRUNK ATTENDANCE AS THEIR

GUESTS. KISSINGER
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